

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2001-02
ESTABLISHING THE GROWING SMARTER OVERSIGHT COUNCIL

WHEREAS, Arizona's quality of life and vibrant economy have made it one of the fastest growing states in the nation; and

WHEREAS, to sustain this economic prosperity without irreparably damaging the State's natural resources, growth must be well planned and managed in the 21st Century; and

WHEREAS, through a partnership among the Legislature, interested citizens, and this Office, a comprehensive effort was undertaken to address growth related issues which resulted in passage of the Growing Smarter and Growing Smarter Plus Acts; and

WHEREAS, the Growing Smarter Act of 1998 and the Growing Smarter Plus Act of 2000 consist of comprehensive municipal, county and state land department land use planning and zoning reforms and provide for the acquisition and preservation of open spaces, all in order to further the best interests of the citizens of Arizona by protecting Arizona's natural heritage and wisely managing the growth of our communities; and

WHEREAS, the Growing Smarter Commission, which was created in the Growing Smarter Act of 1998 to study and consider issues relating to land use policies, recommended in its final report that a process be established through this Office to systematically monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of the Growing Smarter and Growing Smarter Plus Acts and that part of that process include an annual report to the legislature and the citizens of Arizona evaluating the effectiveness of the Acts and recommending changes that would better achieve the goals of the Acts; and

WHEREAS, the 2001 State of the State Address included an announcement of the creation of the Growing Smarter Oversight Council, a public/private partnership, for the purposes of monitoring the implementation of the Growing Smarter and Growing Smarter Plus Acts, identifying obstacles to implementation and suggesting refinements, developing a method of measuring the effectiveness of Growing Smarter, and determining how compliance with the Acts should be addressed;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jane Dee Hull, do create the Growing Smarter Oversight Council.

The Oversight Council shall: monitor the implementation of the Growing Smarter and Growing Smarter Plus Acts; identify obstacles to implementation; suggest refinements to facilitate implementation; develop a method of measuring the effectiveness of the Acts; measure the effectiveness of the Acts; determine how compliance with the Acts should be addressed; suggest improvements to the Acts; and annually report the Legislature, the Citizens of Arizona, and this Office on the aforementioned; and

The primary phase of the Oversight Council shall be to identify obstacles to implementation of the Acts and suggest refinements to facilitate implementation; and

The Oversight Council shall include in its discussions the recommendations of and legislation resulting from other groups convened to discuss growth related issues, including but not limited to: the Groundwater Management Commission; the Brown Cloud Summit; the Vision 21 Transportation Task Force and the Arizona Partnership for the New Economy; and

The Council shall be made up of at least 17 individuals, including the directors of the Arizona Departments of Commerce, Environmental Quality, Game and Fish, State Land, Transportation and Water Resources as well as representatives of other subdivisions of governments, individuals from conservation and/or environmental groups, agricultural groups, businesses, and planning organizations;

Members other than state agency directors shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor and shall serve five year terms, and initial terms for initial members shall be staggered to prevent simultaneous expiration of all terms; and

The Governor shall appoint a chair and a vice chair for the Council; and

The Council shall meet at least quarterly; and

The Council shall have the authority to appoint advisory committees.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.

Jane Dee Hull

Governor

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this Sixth Day of February Two Thousand One and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Twenty-fifth.

ATTEST:

Betsey Bayless

Secretary of State